

## CHARLOTTE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: HDC 2015-112 DATE: 15 June 2015

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 121 Hermitage Road

HISTORIC DISTRICT: Hermitage Court TAX PARCEL NUMBER: 15502203

**OWNER(S):** Gerry and Libby Mack

**DETAILS OF APPROVED PROJECT:** Landscaping. The project is a small brick retaining wall in the front yard to hold back a steep earthen bank. The new retaining wall will begin 24" from an existing stone column and will step down in increments ranging 12" to 24" in height to accommodate the linear slope of the sidewalk. The new retaining wall will connect to existing brick sidewalk stairs and will end at the existing driveway. See exhibits labeled 'Site Plan – June 2015' and 'Retaining Wall Sketch Detail – June 2015'. The retaining wall will tie into the existing brick sidewalk steps with two 14" brick piers. The piers will be topped by 4" tall limestone caps measuring 12"x12", to match existing piers at the front entry door, see exhibit labeled 'Existing Front Entry Piers – June 2015'. The bottom of the limestone caps will be level with the second stair up from the sidewalk. The project also includes the construction of new brick sidewalls to flank the existing brick steps. The sidewalls will measure approximately 7"-8" higher than the existing brick steps and will terminate in a small pier at top of grade, approximately 1" above the top stair. The upper grade piers will also be topped by 12"x12" limestone caps. See exhibit labeled 'Pier/Steps/Sidewall Detail – June 2015'. All existing elements including the wrought iron handrail and brick steps will remain.

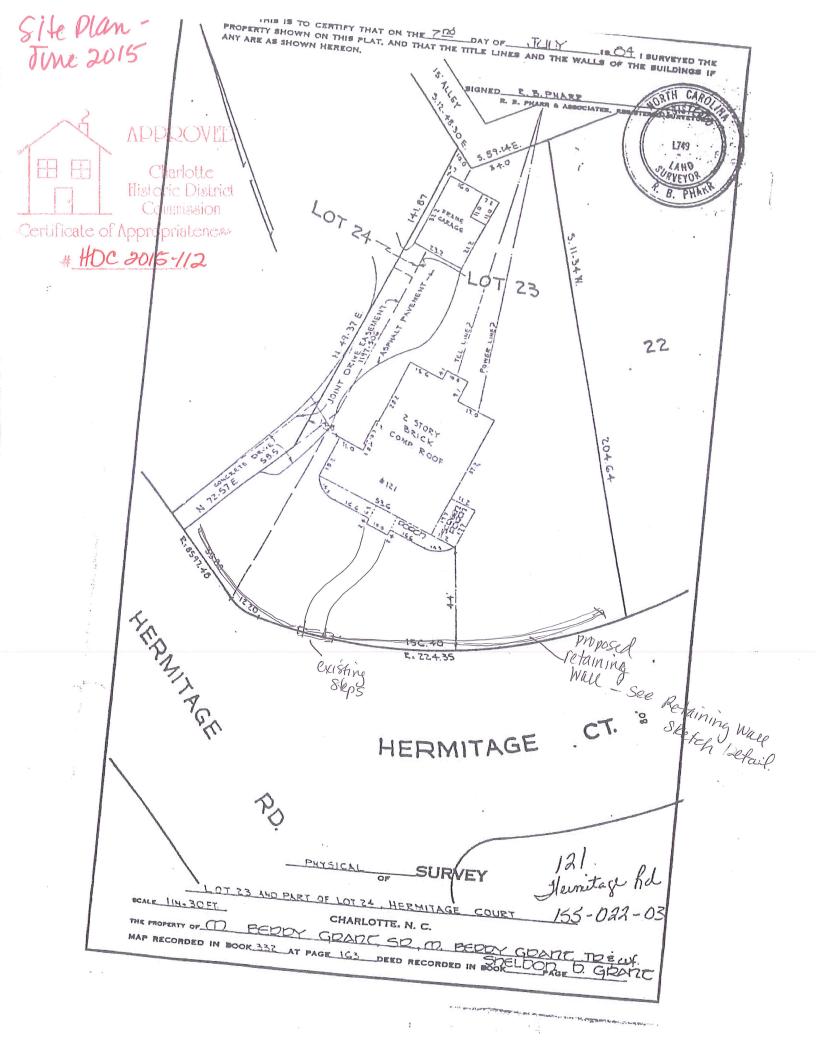
- 1. Applicable Policy & Design Guidelines and Approval Authority Projects Eligible for Administrative Approval, page 23: Landscaping & Site Features.
- 2. The applicable Policy & Design Guidelines for Landscaping and Site Features (page 60) have been met.

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- This Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) indicates that this project proposal has been determined to comply with the standards and policies of the Charlotte Historic District Commission.
- Display the blue COA placard in a visible location along with any required permits.
- No other approvals are to be inferred.
- No demolition other than that specifically indicated on any attached plans is authorized under this approval.
- All work must be completed in accordance with all other applicable state and local codes.
- Any changes from or additions or deletions to the plans referenced herein will void this Certificate, and a new application must be filed with the Historic District Commission.

This Certificate is valid for a period of six months from the date of issuance. Failure to obtain a building permit in that time will be considered as a failure to comply with the Certificate and the Certificate will become invalid. If a building permit is not required, then the approved work must be completed within six months of the date of issuance of this Certificate. The Certificate can be renewed within twelve months of its issuance by Historic District Commission staff by written request and submission of a valid reason for failure to comply within the six-month deadline.

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